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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant : Akli Adjaoute
Application No. : 09/895,603 Confirmation No.: 6749
Filed : June 29, 2001
For : SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
FILTERING ELECTRONIC CONTENT
Group Art Unit : 2641
Examiner : To Be Assigned

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.36 AND 10.40(c)(5)
TO WITHDRAW FROM REPRESENTATION

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.36 and 10.40(c)(5), the undersigned attorney hereby petitions on his own behalf and, being authorized to petition on behalf of each of the other attorneys of record, the undersigned attorney hereby petitions on behalf of each of the other attorneys of record (i.e., Nicola A. Pisano, Reg. No. 34,408 and Michael J. DeHaemer, Jr., Reg. No. 39,164), for permission to withdraw from representation of applicant in the above-identified patent application because "petitioner's client knowingly and freely assents to termination of the employment." (37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c)(5).)

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Pursuant to MPEP § 402.06, this Petition is being submitted in triplicate (this original and two copies). As also required by MPEP § 402.06, mailing addresses of the undersigned and of the applicant are set forth at the end of this Petition.

Statement of Facts

Each of the above-referenced attorneys is a member, past member or past employee of Fish & Neave, an intellectual property law firm. Fish & Neave was retained by Immune Solutions, Inc., now Brighterion, Inc., in January 2001 to prepare and file the above-identified application and other applications.

Fish & Neave and Brighterion have recently resolved an unpaid balance owed to Fish & Neave by Brighterion relating to legal services provided in connection with these applications. As part of this resolution, Brighterion and the applicant knowingly and freely assented to termination of the employment of Fish & Neave. More particularly, Fish & Neave and Brighterion agreed that Fish & Neave may, at its own cost, prepare submissions relating to the withdrawal of the undersigned and others at Fish & Neave previously engaged by Brighterion in connection with this matter.

This Petition Should Be Granted

There are no outstanding office actions requiring a reply in the above-identified application. Thus, applicant would not be prejudiced by the granting of this Petition. (MPEP § 402.06.)

The undersigned has sent the file of the application to the applicant concurrently with the filing of this Petition.

For the reasons set forth above, petitioners respectfully request that this Petition be granted promptly, and that the United States Patent and Trademark Office direct all future correspondence to the applicant at the following address:

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An early and favorable action on this Petition is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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